



2009

Big 4 Phase II

Residential

and

Commercial

Construction

Safety Emphasis

Initiative



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The Big 4 Phase II for residential construction is designed to help identify and eliminate hazards at residential construction job sites associated with the four major causes of fatalities, accidents and injuries in the state of Utah:

1. Falls from elevations (e.g., roofs, floors, platforms, aerial lifts and equipment).
2. Struck by (e.g., falling objects, vehicles and equipment).
3. Caught in/between (e.g., excavation/trench cave-ins, machinery, and equipment).
4. Electrical (e.g., power lines, power tools, cords, outlets, temporary wiring).

The Big 4 Phase II for commercial construction is designed to help identify and eliminate hazards associated with:

1. Falls from elevations (e.g., roofs, floors, platforms, aerial lifts and equipment).
 2. Crane and rigging safety (construction cranes, mobile cranes, tower cranes)
- In all inspections Compliance Safety and Health Officers (CSHO's) will visit both residential and commercial construction job sites to:

- A. Determine if serious hazards or imminent danger situations are present. In these cases, an opening conference will be conducted and the inspection process will begin, as prescribed by Section R614-1-7.G of the Utah Code.
- B. Determine if an effective safety and health program has been implemented. If an effective safety and health plan is not in place, an opening conference will be conducted and the Big 4 inspection process will begin, as prescribed by Section R614-1-7.G of the Utah Code.
- C. Determine if Citations and proposed penalties need to be issued for alleged serious violations found during the inspection, as prescribed by Utah Code R614-1-7.
- D. Determine if no serious hazards or violations are observed and a safety program is in place. In these cases, the CSHO will conduct only an on site assistance intervention.

UOSH remains committed to the safety and health of Utah's workers in the construction industry by taking positive steps to maximize the protection of employees and eliminate workplace hazards at both residential and commercial construction sites. For more information, visit <http://uosh.utah.gov/> or contact Eldon Tryon, UOSH Compliance Manager at (801) 530-6901.

“Working together we can make the beautiful State of Utah a safer place to work, elevating our safety and health culture to a higher level of excellence”

The screenshot shows the homepage of the U.S. Department of Labor Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA). The header includes the OSHA logo, contact information (160 E. 3rd St., Ste. 300, Salt Lake City, UT 84111, (800) 321-3600, (843) 538-5090, oshacomm@osha.gov), and links for Advanced Search and A-Z Index. The main navigation bar includes Home, Divisions, Employees, Employees, Careers, Postdocs, Calendars, Downloads, FAQ, and Contact. The main content area features a section titled "Safety and Health Programs" with a yellow "In Focus" box containing links to "OSHA Standards", "What is a safety and health program?", "Program Implementation", "Additional Information", and "Credits". Below this, a box states: "OSHA has concluded that effective management of worker safety and health protection is a decisive factor in reducing the extent and the severity of work-related injuries and illnesses. Effective management addresses all work-related hazards, including the potential hazards that could result from a change in worksite conditions or practices. Additionally, it addresses hazards whether or not they are regulated by government standards." It also mentions that OSHA standards require or recommend safety and health programs in the workplace. To the right, there are sections for "What OSHA standards require or recommend safety and health programs?", "How is an effective safety and health program developed, maintained, and evaluated?", and "What additional information is available?". The footer includes links for eTools, Safety & Health Management Systems, OSHA, Discussions, and Other Resources.

<http://www.osha.gov/SLTC/safetyhealth>

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<http://laborcommission.utah.gov/UOSH>